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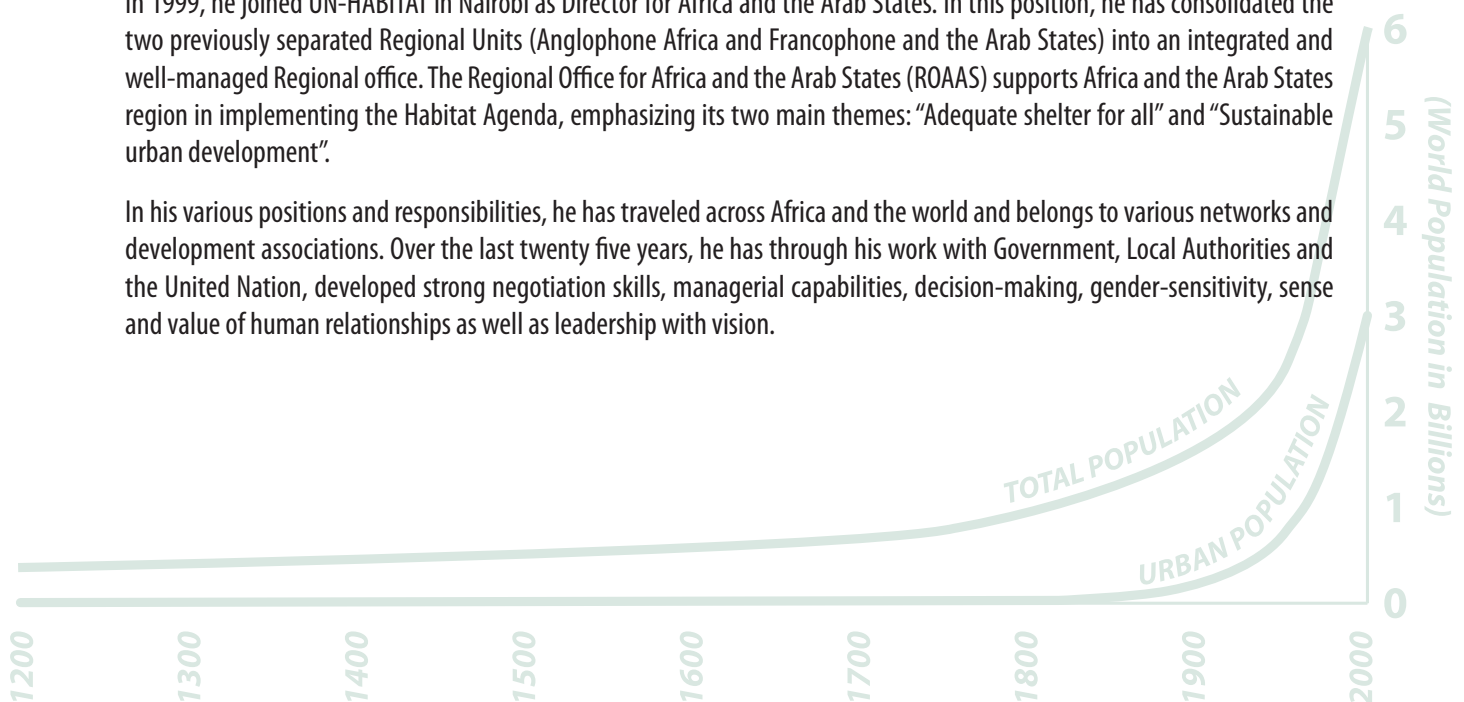
Mr. Badiane is a Senior Urban Regional Planner with extensive working experience in both central and local governments and at international level.

He has accumulated twenty-five years of experience in the United Nations as well as in Government (Ministries of Economic Planning, Housing, Urban development and Environment, Interior and Decentralization) and has served for seven years as Director of City Planning and later as the Principal Policy Advisor to the mayor of Dakar. For ten years he served as an elected municipal councilor and Chairman of the planning and environment commission in his hometown of Mecke, Senegal.

In October 1992, he was appointed Regional Co-ordinator for Africa, Urban Management Programme, with duty stations in Lome, Togo (1992), Accra, Ghana (1993), and Abidjan, Cote d'Ivoire (1996). This international joint endeavor between UNDP, UNHCS and The World Bank and the huge political and urban challenge in Africa have provided him with real opportunities to contribute in shaping new approaches and strategies for urban development and management policy geared toward better governance of cities in Africa.

In 1999, he joined UN-HABITAT in Nairobi as Director for Africa and the Arab States. In this position, he has consolidated the two previously separated Regional Units (Anglophone Africa and Francophone and the Arab States) into an integrated and well-managed Regional office. The Regional Office for Africa and the Arab States (ROAAS) supports Africa and the Arab States region in implementing the Habitat Agenda, emphasizing its two main themes: "Adequate shelter for all" and "Sustainable urban development".

In his various positions and responsibilities, he has traveled across Africa and the world and belongs to various networks and development associations. Over the last twenty five years, he has through his work with Government, Local Authorities and the United Nation, developed strong negotiation skills, managerial capabilities, decision-making, gender-sensitivity, sense and value of human relationships as well as leadership with vision.



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